AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the present title with the following amended title:

A DIGITAL CAMERA RECORDING AN ARBITRARY FRAME OF A MOTION PICTURE

Please replace the paragraph starting on Page 15, line 8 with the following amended paragraph:

As shown in FIG. 7A, when the system is set to the motion picture shooting mode by the mode dial 114a ("Yes" in step S1) and start of recording is instructed by a press on the release switch 116 ("Yes" in step S2), processing to capture data of an image shot with the image pickup device 102 (step S3) is executed. The captured data undergoes a series of signal processing (step S4) in the analog signal processor 103, the A/D converter 104, the buffer memory 105, and the YC separator 107, then is sent to the compression/decompression processor 106, where the data is JPEG-compressed on a per frame basis (step S5). Following the JPEG compression, whether a marking instruction is made to the frame by the marking button 114b is checked (step S6). In case a marking instruction is made to the frame by the marking button 114b ("Yes" in step S6), marking data is added to the frame (compressed frame) (step S7) then motion picture file generation processing (step 8) is executed. In case a marking instruction is not made to the frame by the marking button 114b ("No" in step S6), motion picture file generation processing (step 8) is executed without addition of marking data. In the motion picture file generation processing (step 8), motion picture data comprising a plurality of frames is generated. When processing of

all the frames of a single motion picture file is complete ("Yes" in step S9), the motion picture file is recorded onto the memory card 108 (step S10). In case recording is not complete ("No" in step S9), execution returns to step ~~S2~~ S3.